

# Mech 212 – Finned Cooling

## Assignment Questions

### Question 1 & 2

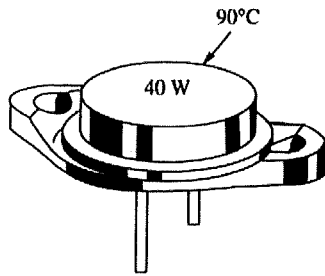


FIGURE P8-143

**8-142** The case-to-ambient thermal resistance of a power transistor that has a maximum power rating of 15 W is given as  $25^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$ . If the case temperature of the transistor is not to exceed  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$ , determine the power at which this transistor can be operated safely in an environment at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

**8-143** A 40-W power transistor is to be cooled by attaching it to one of the commercially available heat sinks shown in Table 8-6. Select a heat sink that will allow the case temperature of the transistor not to exceed  $90^{\circ}\text{C}$  in the ambient air at  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

### Question 3

**8-150** A hot surface at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$  is to be cooled by attaching 3-cm-long, 0.25-cm-diameter aluminum pin fins [ $k = 237 \text{ W}/(\text{m} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C})$ ] to it, with a center-to-center distance of 0.6 cm. The temperature of the surrounding medium is  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and the heat transfer coefficient on the surfaces is  $35 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C})$ . Determine the rate of heat transfer from the surface for a  $1 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m}$  section of the plate. Also determine the overall effectiveness of the fins.

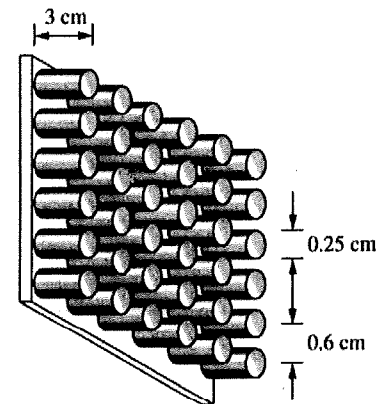


FIGURE P8-150

### Question 4

A 0.3 cm thick, 12 cm high and 18 cm long circuit board houses 80 closely spaced logic chips on one side. Each chip dissipates 0.04 W. The board is impregnated with copper fillings, and has an effective thermal conductivity of  $20 \text{ W}/\text{m} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$ . All the heat generated in the chips is conducted across the circuit board and is dissipated from the back side of the board to the medium at  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$  with a heat transfer coefficient of  $50 \text{ W}/\text{m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Determine:

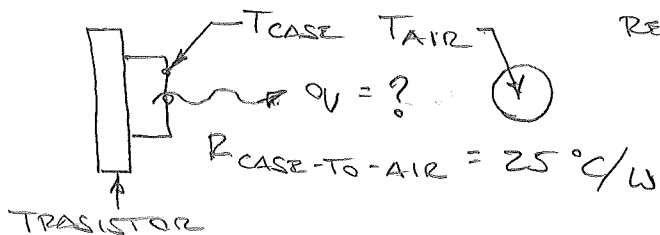
- the temperatures on the two sides of the circuit board (chip side and cooling medium side).
- In an attempt to improve the heat transfer characteristics of the board/chip system, a 0.2 cm thick, 12 cm high and 18 cm long aluminium plate ( $k = 237 \text{ W}/\text{m} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) with 864, 2 cm long aluminium pin fins of diameter 0.25 cm is attached to the back side of the circuit board with a 0.02 cm thick epoxy adhesive ( $k = 1.8 \text{ W}/\text{m} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

Now determine the temperatures on the two sides of the circuit board.

# MECH 212 - FINNED COOLING

## ASSIGNMENT SOLUTIONS

### QUESTION 1 (8-142)



$$\text{RECALL: } q = \frac{T_{CASE} - T_{\infty}}{R_{CASE-TO-AIR}}$$

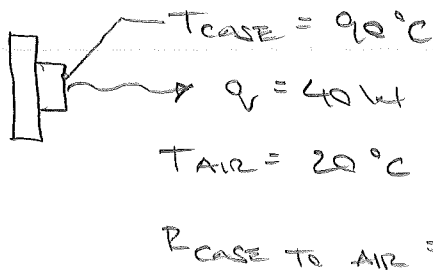
$$T_{CASE} = 80 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_{AIR} = 30 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\therefore q = \frac{(80 - 30)}{25} \frac{\text{ } ^\circ\text{C}}{\text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}}$$

$$q = 2 \text{ WATTS}$$

### QUESTION 2 (8-143)



$$\text{FROM } q = \frac{T_{CASE} - T_{\infty}}{R_{CASE-TO-AIR}}$$

$$R = \frac{T_{CASE} - T_{\infty}}{q}$$

$$= \frac{(90 - 20)}{40} \frac{\text{ } ^\circ\text{C}}{\text{W}}$$

$$R = 1.75 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$$

FOR THIS TO WORK  $R$  MUST BE  
LESS THAN  $1.75 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$

FROM TABLE 8-6 (SEE WEB PAGE).

- HS5030  $R = 0.9 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$  (VERTICAL)
- HS5030  $R = 1.2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$  (HORIZONTAL)
- HS6071  $R = 1.4 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$  (VERTICAL)
- HS6115  $R = 1.1 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$  (VERTICAL)
- HS6115  $R = 1.3 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$  (HORIZONTAL)

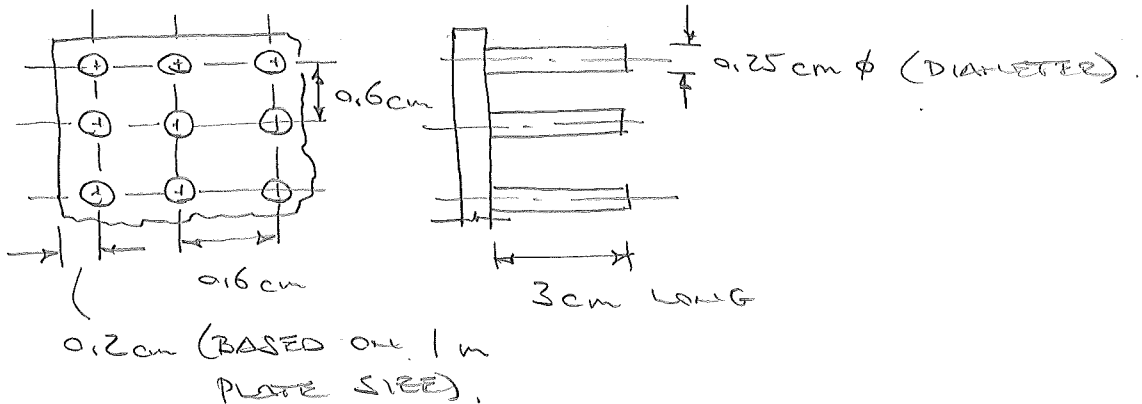
ALL THESE ARE OK.

MAKE A FINAL SELECTION BASED ON  
SIZE AND OTHER FACTORS.

### QUESTION 3 (8-150)

• FIND  $q$  FOR A 1 m X 1 m PINNED PLATE.

• NUMBER OF PINS =  $n = 166 \times 166 = 27556$  PINS (166/SIDE).



• CALCULATIONS

$$k = 237 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{C}$$

$$T_{\infty} = 30^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$h = 35 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{C}$$

$$T_{\text{SURFACE}} = T_s = 100^{\circ}\text{C} \quad \therefore \theta_b = 100 - 30$$

$$\theta_b = 70^{\circ}\text{C}$$

RECALL  $q = h (A_b + \eta_f A_f) \theta_b$

$$A_b = A_{\text{base}} - A_{\text{fin base}}$$

$$= (1 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m}) - (27556) \left( \frac{\pi (0.25 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m})^2}{4} \right)$$

$$A_b = 0.865 \text{ m}^2$$

$$A_f = (27556) \left[ \pi (0.25 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}) (3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}) + \left( \frac{\pi (0.25 \times 10^{-2})^2}{4} \right) \right]$$

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END

$$A_f = 6.63 \text{ m}^2 \quad (0.241 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2/\text{FIN})$$

$\eta \rightarrow$  FIGURE 8-59 (WEB PAGE)

$$\xi = \left( L + \frac{1}{4} D \right) \sqrt{2h/kD}$$

$$= \left( 3 \times 10^{-2} + \frac{1}{4} (0.25 \times 10^{-2}) \right) \sqrt{\frac{(2)(35)}{(237)(0.25 \times 10^{-2})}}$$

$$= 0.33$$

$$\therefore \eta = 0.88 \text{ (APPROX.)}$$

$$\therefore q = (35) (0.865 + (0.88)(6.63)) (70)$$

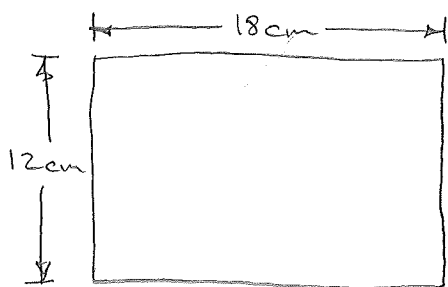
$$= 16413.5 \text{ WATTS (WOW!)}$$

QUESTION 3 → FIN EFFECTIVENESS,  $\epsilon_{FIN}$

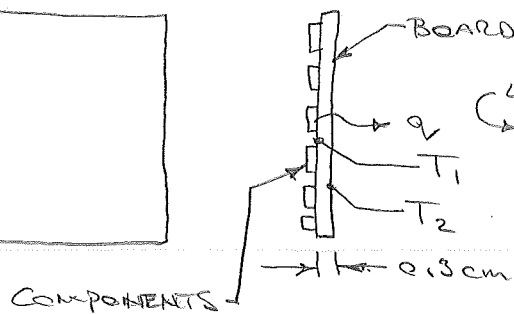
$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{FIN} &= \frac{\text{HEAT TRANSFER FROM THE FIN / BASE SYSTEM}}{\text{HEAT TRANSFER FROM THE BASE ONLY (NO FIN)}} = \frac{q_{FIN}}{q_{NO\ FIN}} \\ &= \frac{q_{FIN}}{h A_{base} \theta_b} \\ &= \frac{16413.5}{(35)(1 \times 1)(70)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon_{FIN} = 6.7$$

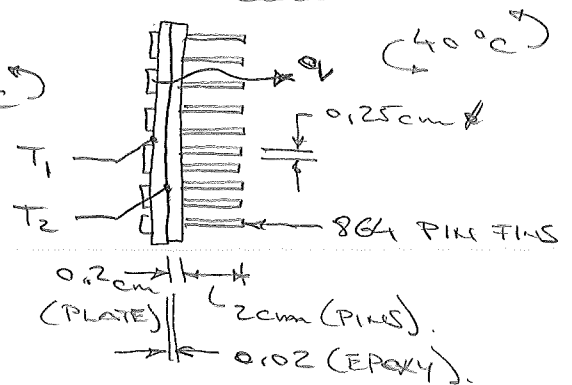
QUESTION 4



VERSION A



VERSION B



DATA

HEAT:  $q = 0.04 \text{ W/CHIP} \times 80 \text{ CHIPS} = 3.2 \text{ WATTS}$

THERMAL: BOARD →  $k = 20 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

MEDIUM →  $h = 50 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

ALUMINIUM →  $k = 237 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

EPOXY →  $k = 1.8 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

CALCULATIONS

a) BOARD ONLY,

$$q = h A (T_2 - T_\infty)$$

$$\therefore T_2 = \frac{q}{h A} + T_\infty$$

$$= \frac{3.2}{(50)(0.0216)} + 40$$

$$= 42.96^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= A_{BASE} = (12 \times 10^{-2})(18 \times 10^{-2}) \\ &= 0.0216 \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

4a CONTINUED

ALSO  $q = \frac{kA}{\Delta x} (T_1 - T_2) = \frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{R}$

$\therefore T_1 = qR + T_2$

$R = \frac{\Delta x}{kA} = \frac{0.3 \times 10^{-2}}{(20)(0.0216)}$

$R = 0.007$

SO  $T_1 = (3.2)(0.007) + 42.96$   
 $= 42.98 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  ( $T_1 \approx T_2$  IT SPEAKS)

4b) PIN FIN.

RECALL:  $q = h(A_b + \eta_f A_f) \theta_b$   
 $= h(A_b + \eta_f A_f)(T_2 - T_\infty)$

$\therefore T_2 = \frac{q}{h(A_b + \eta_f A_f)} + T_\infty$

$A_b = [(12 \times 10^{-2})(18 \times 10^{-2})] - 864 \left( \frac{\pi (0.25 \times 10^{-2})^2}{4} \right)$

$= 0.017 \text{ m}^2$  ↙ FIG 8-59 (WEB PAGE)

$A_f = [\pi D (L + (\frac{1}{4})D)] n = [\pi (0.25 \times 10^{-2})(2 \times 10^{-2}) + (\frac{1}{4})(0.25 \times 10^{-2})] 864$

$= 0.676 \text{ m}^2$

$\xi = (L + (\frac{1}{4})D) \sqrt{\frac{2h}{kD}} = [(2 \times 10^{-2}) + (\frac{1}{4})(0.25 \times 10^{-2})]$   
 $\times \sqrt{\frac{(2)(50)}{(237)(0.25 \times 10^{-2})}}$

$= 0.27$

$\therefore \eta_{FIN} = 0.91$  (FIGURE 8-59, WEB PAGE)

SO  $T_2 = \frac{(3.2)}{(50)(0.017 + (0.91)(0.676))} + 40$

$= 40.1 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

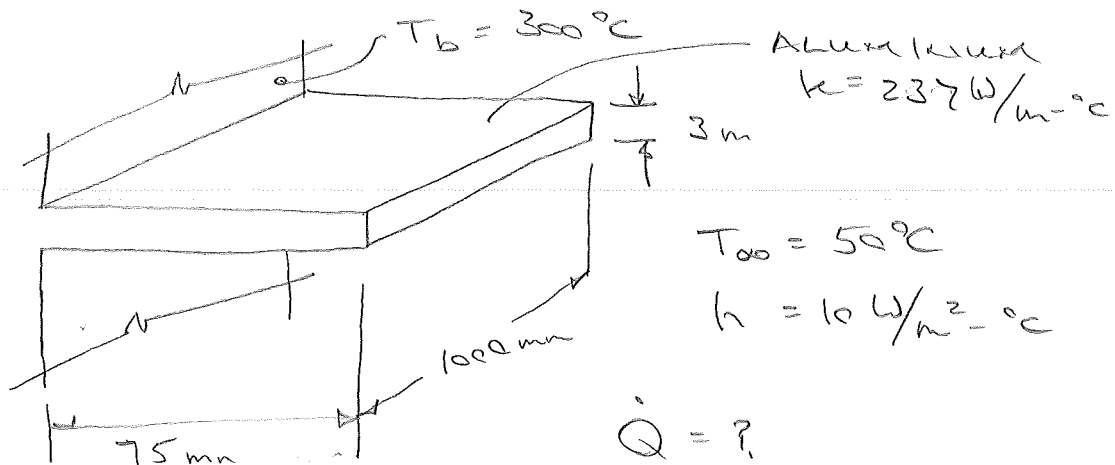
AND  $T_1 = qR + T_2$   
 $= (3.2)(0.007) + 40.1$   
 $= 40.122 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

NOTE:

① THE PIN FIN IS NOT NEEDED AND THIS IS A TOTAL WASTE OF MONEY!

② THE SPECIAL COPPER FILLED BOARD IS A USELESS COST !!!

### EXAMPLE: FIN COOLING



$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{\text{FIN}} &= 2W \left( L + \frac{1}{2}t \right) \\ &= 2(1) \left( 0.075 + \frac{1}{2}(0.003) \right) \\ &= 0.153 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\xi &= \left( L + \frac{1}{2}t \right) \sqrt{\frac{h}{kt}} \\ &= \left( 0.075 + \frac{1}{2}(0.003) \right) \sqrt{\frac{10}{(237)(0.003)}} \\ &= 0.287\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \eta \approx 0.9$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{SO } \dot{Q}_{\text{FIN}} &= \eta h \Delta_{\text{FIN}} (T_b - T_\infty) \\ &= (0.9) (10) (0.153) (300 - 50) \\ &= 344.25 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$